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S I R:

This is a request for filing a X CONTINUATION

 DIVISIONAL CONTINUATION-IN-PART application under

 X 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), of pending prior application

Serial No. 08/475,466 filed on June 7, 1995 of

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 RNA CATALYST FOR CLEAVING SPECIFIC RNA SEQUENCES

 Title of Invention

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy.
2. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and 1.27
 is enclosed.
 was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. §1.28(a)).
3. X The filing fee is calculated as follows:

 CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT

| | NUMBER FILED | | NUMBER EXTRA* | | RATE | | FEE | |
|---|-----------------|---|------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER ENTITY | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER ENTITY |
| Total Claims | 12-20 | = | 0 | X | 9 | 18 | = \$ | \$ 0 |
| Independent Claims | 3-3 | = | 0 | X | 42 | 84 | = \$ | \$ 0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims Presented: <u> </u> Yes <u> X </u> No | | | | | 140 | 280 | = \$ | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | BASIC FEE | | \$ 375 | \$ 750 |
| | | | | | TOTAL FEE | | \$ | \$ 750 |

*If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.

¹ Filing an application pursuant to this section expressly abandons the parent application.

4. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

_____ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16.

_____ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

_____ The issue fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.311(b).
5. X Three copies of this sheet are enclosed.
6. X A check in the amount of \$ 750.00 is enclosed.
7. _____ Cancel claims _____.
8. _____ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a _____ continuation _____ division of application Serial No. _____, filed _____.--
9. X 51 Sheet(s) of _____ informal X formal drawing(s) is/are enclosed.
10. _____ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.
11. _____ Priority of application No. _____ filed on _____ in _____ (country) is claimed under 37 U.S.C. §119.

_____ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. _____, filed _____.
12. X The prior application is assigned of record to The Board of Regents for Northern Illinois University of DeKalb, and Biotechnology Research and Development Corporation.
13. X A preliminary amendment.
14. X The power of attorney in the prior application is to: See attached Appendix A.

- (a) X The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- (b) Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- (c) X Address all future communications to:
(May only be completed by applicant,
or attorney or agent of record.)

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15. X Also enclosed Express Mail Certificate of Mailing No.

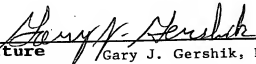
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16. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. as originally filed on .

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statement and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

September 15, 2003

Date


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